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Caledonian Mercury

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A short Account of all the most considerable News,
Foreign and Domestic.

Edinburgh, Friday October 25, 1723.

From the Evening Post, October 19.

Tunis, August 29.

THERE is a Project on foot for a strict Union between us, Algiers and Tripoli, for carrying on our Cruizing with more Success: To which Purpose a Squadron of Men of War and Fregats is to be fitted out against those of Malta, whilst all our other Ships are cruising upon the Flotilla's which every Year come from the West Indies: *Lisbon, Sept. 6.* We have received Advice from Barbary, by way of Gibraltar, That a Portuguese of 20 Years of Age, having been a Slave at Miquinez from the 16th of May 1719, receiving Intelligence that his Brother had agreed for his Ransom, did on the 8th of June last desire Leave of the Emperor of Morocco to embark at Tetuan: But the Emperor desired him to turn Moor; which the young Man refusing, the Emperor ordered his Guards to kill him, which they accordingly did, and afterwards treated the Body with the utmost Barbarity, nor would they part with it till near 8 a-clock at Night, when it was decently buried by the Fryars Recolets, who have a Convent in that City.

Montpelier, October 14. We have had here such terrible Tempests of Thunder, Lightning and Rain, that several Houses have been thrown down, and a great many Cattle killed. The Rains were so violent that the Bridges and Mills are entirely carried off, so that we have had much ado to get Bread enough to supply the Town. The great Bridge at Adge, a Sea-port-town about 8 Leagues hence, was carried into the Sea, together with a great many Barges and other Boats, in which were several People. This Bridge was one of the most curious in the Kingdom, being built upon large Barges or Boats. The Inhabitants were forc'd to get into the highest Apartments, the Water being above 20 Foot deep from the Kitchens.

S. S. Stock, 110, 7 8ths.

Fyell's

From the Evening Post.

Rome, Oct. 2. Last Monday the Pope held a secret Consistory, where he made a long Speech about the Affair of Cardinal Alberoni, after which his Holiness ordered the Bull for the Reconciliation of the said Cardinal to the Holy See to be read.

Genoa, Oct. By a Packet Boat from Barcelona, we have an Account, that a small English Vessel, which was taken by the Squadron Commanded by Admiral de Mari, has been condemned as a lawful Prize, because she was carrying to Algiers Ammunition and Stores for rigging of Ships.

New York, August 26. By a Sloop arrived here from Jamaica on Saturday last, we have Advice, That Captain Davers, in his Majesty's Ship the Adventurer, has taken a Spanish Pirate of 80 Men, who pretended to be a Guard-Ship of Trinidad, but took, robb'd and murdered all the English they met with.

London, Oct. 17. On the 9th Instant at Night a Comet was discovered which has been observed every Night since (when the Weather has permitted) by several Gentlemen of the Royal Society.

From the Flying Post.

Petersburg, Sept. 27. 'Tis reported the Czar has given Leave to the Lutherians who are settled here, to build a new Church with a Steeple; and that he is disposed to grant the same Favour to the Calvinists, whose Number is considerably increased, by several Families lately come hither from Archangel.

Rome, Oct. 2. Monday last, the Pope made a most excellent Speech in the sacred College about the Affair of Cardinal Alberoni, and caused it to be read, by which his Eminency is restored to the Favour of the Holy See; after which he gave leave to the Cardinals to go and spend the Vacation in the Country. Wednesday last, being the Festival of St. Michael the Archangel, was issued in by a general Discharge of the Cannon from the Castle of St. Angelo, the Garrison of which marched out into the great Square of the Palace, in order of Battle, with some Pieces of Cannon, and received the Pope's Blessing.

Berlin, Oct. 12. Yesterday Morning the Court came hither from Charlottenberg, and after the King of Great Britain had viewed the Arsenal, the Chamber of Rarities, and the most remarkable Things, both their Prussian and Britannick Majesties (who rode in a magnificent Coach of State) went to dinner at Montbijoux, a Palace belonging to the Queen, who was also present, together with the Royal Family, the Ministers of Great Britain, and many other Persons of Distinction of both Sexes. In the Evening there was a Ball at the Palace; after which there was a splendid Table set out in another Appartment for 68 Guests which represented George Rex by the Letters G. R. His Britannick Majesty saw the King of Prussia's Guard relieved and perform their Exercise: They are in perfect Order, the Men well clothed, and used to exact Discipline. He also saw the Town Guard relieved and perform their Exercise. They consist of about 1200 Men. He likewise saw the Band of Cadets perform their Exercise, with the Prince Royal of Prussia at their Head. It consists of about 300 young Noblemen and Gentlemen, who are trained up in strict military Discipline.

The Arsenal which he likewise visited was furnished with a numerous Artillery, and proper Stores of Ammunition.

Venice, Oct. 9. Yesterday died here suddenly Signior Loredano, who was on Saturday last chose Providitor General of the Sea, by the Grand Council, in the Room of Signior Andrew Cornaro, whose Term is just expired.

From the Whitehall Evening Post.

Lisbon, Sept. 30. The 7th Instant the Court celebrated the Anniversary Birth of the Queen, who entered that Day into the 41st Year of her Age.

Moscow,

Moscow, Sept. 29. We reckon that 60000 Russian Troops are by this Time on the Frontiers of Persia, and that they will be powerful enough to act against all the Force of Meriways. They are busy erecting great Magazines at Baku, for the Subsistence of our Troops next Summer. For eight Days past we have been greatly alarmed on account of a great Herd of Crim Tartars having passed the Pruth, and plundered and destroyed the whole Country thereabouts, and afterwards retired. 'Tis feared this Enterprize will be of bad Consequence, and perhaps may occasion a Rupture with the Porte.

Hague, October 21. The Imperial Plenipotentiary at Cambray having received another Express from Vienna, and having afterwards had a long Conference with those of Spain, we expect some News next Post relating to the Congress. Horatio Walpole, Esq; is arrived at Paris.

London, October 17. Yesterday arrived here one of the King's Messengers from Germany, who left his Majesty in good Health at the Ghore.

We hear that Search is made after a seditious Libel, pretended to be a Letter to a Noble Lord, written on occasion of the late Bills of Pains and Penalties.

For the Benefit of the Public.

Edinburgh, August 14, 1723. To the End, that no Person may, either thro' Ignorance of the Law, or Inadvertency, omit complying with, and consequently incur the Penalties inflicted by an Act pass'd last Session of Parliament, Entitled, *An Act to oblige all Persons, being Papists in that Part of Great Britain called Scotland: And all Persons in Great Britain, refusing or neglecting to take the Oaths appointed for the Security of his Majesty's Person and Government, by several Acts therein mention'd, to register their Names and real Estates:* These are to certify all Persons whatsoever, both Men and Women, in Scotland, England, Wales, and Town of Berwick upon Tweed, respectively, being of the Age of Eighteen Years or upwards, and not having taken the Oaths therein mention'd (and hereunto subjoin'd) before the First Day of the last Session of Parliament; That they are obliged to take the said Oaths, within the Time (*viz.* Those of that Part of Great Britain called England, &c. on or before the Twentysifth Day of December, One thousand seven hundred and twentythree; and those of that Part of Great Britain called Scotland, on or before the twentyfifth Day of March, One thousand seven hundred and twentyfour) and in some of the Courts prescrib'd for that Purpose, at their Peril, without any Summons or Notice for their so doing; or, in Default thereof, to register their Names and real Estates, as they, or any Person or Persons in Trust of them shall be seiz'd of, or otherwise interested in at the Time when they ought to have made such Register: Which Registration to be respectively made, by those of that Part of Great Britain called England, on or before the Twentysifth Day of March, One thousand seven hundred and twentyfour; and by those of that Part of Great Britain called Scotland, on or before the Twentysfourth Day of June, One thousand seven hundred and twentyfour.

I A. B. Do sincerely promise and swear, that I will be faithful, and bear true Allegiance to his Majesty King George. So help me GOD.

I A. B. Do from my Heart abhorre, detest and abjure, as impious and heretical, that damnable Doctrine and Position, that Princes excommunicated, or deprived by the Pope, or any Authority of the See of Rome, may be deposed or murdered by their Subjects, or any other Person whatsoever; and I do declare, that no foreign Prince, Person, Prelate, State or Potentate, hath, or ought to have any Jurisdiction, Power, Superiority, Preheminence, or Authority, Ecclesiastical or Spiritual, within this Realm. So help me GOD.

I A. B. Do truly and sincerely acknowledge, profess, testify and declare, in my Conscience before God and the World, that our Sovereign Lord King George, is lawful and rightful King of this Realm, and all other his Majesty's Dominions and Countries thereunto be.

longing; and I do solemnly and sincerely declare, that I do believe in my Conscience, that the Person pretended to be Prince of Wales, during the Life of the late King James, and since his Decease, pretending to be, and taking upon himself the Stile and Title of King of England, by the Name of James III. or of Scotland by the Name of James VIII. or the Stile or Title of King of Great Britain, hath not any Right or Title whatsoever to the Crown of this Realm, or any the Dominions thereto belonging. And I do renounce, refuse and abjure any Allegiance or Obedience to him. And I do swear, that I will bear Faith and true Allegiance to his Majesty King George, and him will defend to the utmost of my Power, against all traiterous Conspiracies and Attempts whatsoever, which shall be made against his Person, Crown or Dignity; and I will do my utmost Endeavours to disclose and make known to his Majesty and his Successors, all Treasons and Traiterous Conspiracies, which I shall know to be against him or any of them. And I do faithfully promise to the utmost of my Power, to maintain, support and defend the Succession of the Crown, against him the said James, and all other Persons whatsoever; which Succession, by an Act, entitled, *An Act for the further Limitation of the Crown, and better securing the Rights and Liberties of the Subjects*, is and stands limited to the Princess Sophia, Electress and Dutchess Dowager of Hanover, and the Heirs of her Body, being Protestants: And all these Things I do plainly and sincerely acknowledge, and swear according to these express Words by me spoken, and according to the plain and common Sense and Understanding of the same Words, without any Equivocation, or mental Reservation whatsoever: And I do make this Recognition, Acknowledgment, Abjuration, Renunciation and Promise, heartily, willingly and truly, upon the true Faith of a Christian.

So help me GOD.

From the Whitehall Evening Post, October 19.

Hamburg, October 29. Letters from Petersburg relate, That the Persian Ambassador has taken his Audience of Leave of the Czar, after having concluded a Treaty of Alliance between his Czarish Majesty and the young Sophi; by virtue of which Treaty, the Czar is to assist the Sophi with such a Number of Forces as shall enable him to regain his Throne. On the other hand, the Sophi yields to the Czar all the Towns situate on the Banks of the Caspian Sea, as far as Baku.

After the Ambassador had his Audience, he had the Honour to treat the Czar, the Czarina, the young Princesses and the Duke of Holstein, the Princes of Hesse Homburg and others of the Nobility, at a sumptuous Entertainment. These Letters mention nothing of the Czar's Departure for Moscow.

Rome, October 2. On Monday last the Pope held a private Consistory, in which the holy Father made a long Speech relating to the Affair of Cardinal Alberoni, and caused to be read the Bull for his Accommodation; after which his Holiness gave Leave to the Cardinals to pass some Time in the Country.

Frankfort, October 17. Advices from Rhinfeldt do again mention, that the Landgrave of Hesse Cassel hath made a new Pretension about that Fortrefs.

Ratisbon, October 14. The Grievances of Religion, in stead of being redressed, have of late increased, even in such Places of the Palatinate where Redress was expected: So that the Deputies of the Evangelic Body at Heidelberg have promised to transmit hither more Particulars thereof.

Hague, October 16. The Province of Zealand are soliciting the States General to lay a Duty of 62 per Cent. on all Goods brought hither by way of Ostend. The Province of North Holland are pressing their High and Mightinesses to procure Payment from the Swedes of the 260000 Florins that are due for Detention of several Ships belonging to that Province.

The States have daily under Deliberation the Affair of the new East India Company; and they expect with Impatience what Answer Mr. Pesters has got upon the new Plan which has been sent him to Hanover.

London, October 19. Yesterday-morning one Buttler, a Barber in St. Martin's le Grand; one Harrold, a Weaver in Spittlefields, and a Gentleman in Tower-hill who belonged to the Pretender's Ship the *Revolution*, were all seized by his Majesty's Messengers on Suspicion of High Treason. They are all said to be Irish Papists; and we are informed that Warrants are issued for apprehending of several others:

John

John Fowle, Junior, Esq; Comptroller of the Cash of the Excise, is appointed Secretary to the Honourable Commissioners of that Revenue, in the Room of Edmond Naylor, Esq; deceased.

Yesterday-morning Sir Peter Delme, Kt. Lord Mayor Elect, was presented to the Lord High Chancellor at his House in Lincoln's-Inn-fields, according to Custom, for his Lordship's Approbation; the Sheriffs, Recorder, and several Aldermen attending the Solemnity.

We hear that the Carolina Yacht, with the Men of War which are to convoy the King in his Passage from Holland, are ordered to be at the Briel the 24th or 25th Instant, there to wait his Majesty's Arrival.

Wye's Lettes verbatim, London, October 15.

Letters from Vienna advise That the Imperial Court has received Notification in Form, that the King of Denmark cannot in any wise obey the Decree of the Aulic Council relating to the Dutchy of Ploen, in behalf of the Duke of Holstein Rethiesh, there being too much partiality contain'd in the said Decree, and that in case due Methods are not taken to redress that Proceeding, his Danish Majesty will think himself oblig'd strongly to support the Interest of the Duke of Carlestin against all kinds of Violence or Opposition; and such happening his Danish Majesty stands clear of all Imputation as occasioning them and the bad Consequences that may attend them, with respect to the Tranquility of the North. This ample Notification has not a little surprized the Imperial Court, who has caused it to be laid before the Aulick Council for their Answer.

The above Letters adde, That the Emperor has turned out of all Offices, the Count de Ligrville, who a little time ago fought a Duel with the Prince de Lexyn notwithstanding the Solicitations of the Latter in favour of the Former.

That they received Advice from Rome, that on the first Instant his Holiness made a Speech to the sacred College upon the Affair of Cardinal Alberoni; after which, the Bull was read, by virtue whereof, his Eminency is again admitted into the Favour of the Holy See. This is thought to be wholly owing to the pressing Instances that have been made by the Courts of France and Spain.

This Day about Noon, the Body of the late Earl Cowper is to be inter'd in the Church of Hartingford-berry in the County of Hertford, in a solemn, but private Manner, according to the Directions of his Will.

The tree Briton published Yesterday, is filled with Remarks on the Great Character of the abovementioned Lord, among the rest which are much taken Notice of are these, viz.

"It is a celebrated Comparison, that the Lord Cowper made, when he likened the S. S. Project to the Prospect of the Trojan-horse, whose hollow Heart held Prodigies of Mischief, whose Belly, swell'd with false Greeks, was big with the Ruine of honest Troy." How many have reflected and shall continue long to reflect with remorse, That they did not give Ear to his grave and solid Admonitions against this wild Incident, will be incredible in History; how many of the Posterity of ruin'd Families shall rue the Day that their Ancestors disregarded upon this Occasion, the Dictates of that eloquent Tongue, which ought never to have spoken in vain.

Our Merchants have an Account by Letters from Malaga, that there happened there a greater Tempest of Hail and Rain, than that which was at Madrid; 'tis said, that it poured such a sudden Torrent of Water from the Mountains, that a great many Waggons and Mules laden with Wine and Fruit going to Malaga, were carried away by the Force of the Water into the Sea, with all the Men that attended them.

They write from Dublin, that the Parliament of Ireland have ordered a Bill to be brought in for the Relief of the insolvent Debtors in that Kingdom, and appointed a Committee to make an Estimate of Expences in building a new Parliament House.

A double Guard of the Foot Guards are ordered to be kept at Somerset House.

Last

Last Thursday, Mr. Murray and Mr. Douglass, lately arriv'd here from France, were taken into Custody of one of the King's Messengers; and 'tis said that Warrants are issued for apprehending some others. The three Persons charg'd with the Riot at Cripplegate Ward, will not come upon their Trials till next Sessions. The Accounts concerning the Time of the King's Return vary; some say it will be in the Beginning of the next Month, and others not till December: Mean Time, 'tis look'd upon as certain, that there will be new Promotions soon after his Majesty's Arrival: amongst the rest 'tis talked, that George Treby Esq. Secretary at War will be created a Peer. 'Tis reported, that the Lord Viscount Harcourt is dangerously ill. At the Funeral of the Earl Cowpar, 6 Gentlemen, who were his Lordship's Domestick Officers under him, when Lord Chancellor, held up the Pale; they had 20 L. a Piece for Mourning.

Lieutenant Colonel Web is dead;

A D V E R T I S E M E N T S.

*† There is a Coach going for *Glasgow, Irving or Ayr*: Any who have a-mind to go, let them repair to *William Baillie's* at the Head of the *Canongate*, the Coach being ready to go off on *Thursday* the 31st Instant *October*.

A COMPOUND for improving of *Land*, which for it's Virtue, surpasses any Thing that has yet appeared, *impregnating* the *Seeds*, of every Kind of *Corn*, to such a *Degree*, as scarce any *single Grain* misgives, whereby *Half* the Quantity of *Seed* usually taken will suffice; and from that *Half* sown, an *Increase* is to be expected, modestly speaking, *Double*, if not *Triple* of what the full *Seed* would otherwise produce; and yet is so far from weakening, That it nourishes the *Ground*, and puts it in a much better *Condition* than it was before; And operating not only upon a *rich Soil*, but serving in Place of *Dung*, has also a surprising Effect upon the *Coldest* and *Poorest Grounds*, where no *Dung* is used: Of such a *Quality* as it may be kept for a Term of Years without losing it's *Virtue*. Is made by *Robert Geddes* Chirurgeon Apothecary in *Edinburgh*, and sold only at the *Laigh Coffee-House* there. Price 1 s. a *Chopin Bottle*.

The Method of preparing the Seed by the Compound.

Pour a *Bottle* of the *Compound* upon a *Peck* of *Seed*, of any kind of *Corn*, and so proportionably less or more, according to the Quantity of *Seed* to be sown, without any other *Mixture* whatsoever; let the *Seed* be immediatly moved, or turned over in the *Vessel*, so as it may be all equally wet by the *Compound*; continue to move or turn it over, at least once every *Half-Hour*, for the Space of *four Hours*, that it may drink the *Compound* wholly up; And whenever the *Seed* is so dry, as it does separate well enough in the *Hand* for sowing, let it be sown into the *Ground*; and cause *harrow* the *Ground* without Loss of Time

N. B. The *Inventer* of this *Composition* makes it easy to try the *Experiment*, confident of the *Virtue* of the *Compound*; he proposes the *Simplest Method* of using it. *Mere Pretenders* usually leave much to be done by those they prescribe to, that when their *Experiments* fail, they may have a *Handle* left them, to throw the *Blame* from off themselves.

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